UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:

Chapter 11

FIRESTAR DIAMOND, INC., et al.

No. 18-10509 (SHL)

Debtors.¹

(Jointly Administered)

RICHARD LEVIN, Chapter 11 Trustee of FIRESTAR DIAMOND, INC., FANTASY, INC., and OLD AJ, INC. f/k/a A. JAFFE, INC.,

Adv. Proc. No. 19-1102 (SHL)

Plaintiff,

v.

NIRAV DEEPAK MODI, MIHIR BHANSALI, and AJAY GANDHI,

Defendants.

RICHARD LEVIN, Chapter 11 Trustee of FIRESTAR DIAMOND, INC., FANTASY, INC., and OLD AJ, INC. f/k/a A. JAFFE, INC.,

Adv. Proc. No. 20-1052 (SHL)

Plaintiff,

v.

MIHIR BHANSALI and AJAY GANDHI,

Defendants.

STIPULATION AND ORDER REGARDING SCHEDULING

Richard Levin, liquidating trustee for the liquidating trusts of the above-captioned Debtors and plaintiff in the above-captioned adversary proceedings (the "Trustee"),

¹ The Debtors and the last four digits of their respective taxpayer identification numbers are as follows: Firestar Diamond, Inc. (2729), Fantasy, Inc. (1673), and Old AJ, Inc. f/k/a A. Jaffe, Inc. (4756).

defendant Mihir Bhansali ("Bhansali"), and defendant Ajay Gandhi ("Gandhi," and together with Bhansali, the "Stipulating Defendants"),² each through their undersigned counsel, have expressed a mutual desire to explore settlement of the above-captioned adversary proceedings and avoid the cost and expense of unnecessary litigation. To facilitate these settlement discussions, the parties stipulate and agree to the following:

- 1. The pretrial conference in Adversary Proceeding No. 19-1102, currently scheduled for November 30, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time), is adjourned to January 27, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time) for the Stipulating Defendants.
- 2. The Stipulating Defendants' deadline to answer the Amended Complaint in Adversary Proceeding No. 19-1102, currently scheduled for December 22, 2021, is extended to February 22, 2022.
- 3. The above-captioned adversary proceedings shall be administratively consolidated for purposes of discovery. The parties agree to meet and confer regarding a joint discovery schedule for the adversary proceedings following the January 27, 2022 pretrial conference in Adversary Proceeding No. 19-1102.
- 4. The Trustee and Stipulating Defendants agree to forego argument on the Stipulating Defendants' motions to dismiss the complaint in Adversary Proceeding No. 20-1052 and request that the Court decide the motions on the parties' submissions.

(Signature page follows.)

² Defendant Nirav Modi is not a party to this Stipulation, and this Stipulation and Order does not, and is not intended to, affect Mr. Modi's substantive or procedural rights, remedies, or defenses in Adversary Proceeding 19-1102. Specifically, this Stipulation and Order does not modify any deadlines that apply to Mr. Modi in Adversary Proceeding 19-1102, and the November 30, 2021 pretrial conference in Adversary Proceeding No. 19-1102 will go forward with respect to Mr. Modi.

AGREED AND STIPULATED TO:

Dated: Chicago, Illinois November 23, 2021 RICHARD LEVIN, Liquidating Trustee of the Liquidating Trusts of FIRESTAR DIAMOND, INC., FANTASY, INC., and OLD AJ, INC. f/k/a A. JAFFE, INC.

By His Counsel, JENNER & BLOCK LLP By:

/s/ Angela Allen

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Dated: New York, New York November 23, 2021

MIHIR BHANSALI,

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AJAY GANDHI

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 29, 2021 New York, New York

/s/ Sean H. Lane

The Honorable Sean H. Lane United States Bankruptcy Judge